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single piece. Some of their pots are made of a metamorphic serpentine, much harder than steatite, and the sight of these objects seemed like a return to the stone age. No such utensils have been found by Dr. Schweinfurth in any other part of Africa, and they are absolutely wanting in the museums. It is not strange, therefore, that Mr. Flinders Petrie imagined that he had found in the environs of Tukh the tombs of a new immigrant race, while there is every reason to believe, with De Morgan, that the race discovered by the English savant was in reality the oldest Egyptian race.

Nel Paese delle Amazzoni. Pel Prof. Dott. Vincenzo Grossi, libero docente di Etnologia Americana nella R. Università di Genova. Roma, Tip. dell' Unione Cooperativa Editrice, Via di Porta Salaria, 23-A. 1897. 8vo.

In this little book of 120 pages Dr. Grossi presents a summary of the physical and political geography of the Brazilian States of Pará and Amazonas and their products, with special reference to Italian commerce and navigation. Such a work is, of necessity, a compilation; made, however, in this instance by a writer who is intimately acquainted with the vast literature of his subject, and able to correct his reading by his own observations. With all its statistics, the work may be read with pleasure for its style and finish.

It has several pretty illustrations and an excellent map of the Amazon basin.

Dr. Alfonso Lomonaco. Da Palermo a New-Orléans. Roma, E. Loescher & Co. (Bretschneider e Regenberg) Librai di S. M. la Regina d'Italia. 8vo. (1897.)

Originally published in the *Rassegna Nazionale*, of Florence, these Notes of Travel make an interesting volume worthy of preservation. Dr. Lomonaco, as physician of the steamer *Montebello*, had rare opportunities for studying the types of the southern Italian emigrants on board the vessel. His descriptions of character and of scenery are not less life-like, though briefer, than those of De Amicis in his book, *Sull' Oceano*, on a similar subject.

The first impression on landing in New Orleans was anything but pleasing. The stranger made his way at the risk of his life, through ill-paved and crowded streets, each more muddy than the last; but once in the heart of the city, he found many things to admire. The animation of the crowds continually interested him.